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SUBJ: MARKOVIC VISIT

- 1. DRAGAN BERNARDIC LAST NIGHT TOOK ME ASIDE TO REPORT A MEETING HE HAD HAD WITH FEDERAL ASSEMBLY PRESIDENT MARKOVIC ON THE EVE OF THE LATTER'S DEPARTURE FOR THE US. MARKOVIC, HE SAID, IS EXTREMELY PLEASED AT THE PROSPECT OF THE VISIT, AND SEES IT OF GREAT IMPORTANCE FOR HIM.
- 2. BERNARDIC WENT ON TO SAY THAT IT WOULD BE A GREAT SHAME IF THE POSITIVE IMPACT OF THE VISIT WERE TO BE MARRED BY ANY KIND OF HOSTILE DEMONSTRATION, AND EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT STEPS WILL BE TAKEN AS NECESSARY TO GUARD AGAINST THIS.
- 3. AS YOU KNOW, THE DEPARTMENT'S GREAT SUCCESS IN THIS REGARD DURING THE TITO VISIT LEAVES THE YUGOSLAVS CONVINCED THAT WE CAN MANAGE SUCH PROBLEMS EASILY. I TRUST YOU WILL PROVE THEM RIGHT.
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